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TAIBU Community Health Centre Achieves CCA Accreditation

We are very pleased to announce that TAIBU Community Health Centre has been awarded a four-year accreditation by the [Canadian Centre for Accreditation](#) (CCA). This is the result of the direction established by the Board of Directors and the dedication of the staff, volunteers and our members in advancing the vision of TAIBU becoming a Centre of Excellence.

“TAIBU, as an organization, takes the quality of its programs and services and the standard of its governance and operational systems seriously,” says Celestia Richards, the President of the Board. “The completion of our third accreditation with great success continues to be a testament of TAIBU’s rise to Excellence in Black Community Based Health.”

Accreditation is a process that provides assurance from a respected third-party that the accredited organization meets commonly accepted standards for good governance, management, and excellence in service provision. It is one way that we demonstrate to our clients and funders that we are operating responsibly and providing responsive and quality services.

“One of the key benefits of participating in CCA’s accreditation program is that it promotes an ongoing culture of learning and quality improvement throughout the organization,” says Lynne Raskin, Interim Executive Director, Canadian Centre for Accreditation. “By choosing to go through the CCA accreditation process, TAIBU is demonstrating its accountability to the community and its commitment to providing the highest quality programs and services.”

In 2012, the [Canadian Centre for Accreditation](#) (CCA) was formed through the joint initiative of other associations of community service providers, bringing together over 100 years of accreditation experience.

“At TAIBU, we regard the accreditation process as way of assessing how we are operating as a community based organization, how we are engaging and serving our clients and how we collaborate with our partners and different stakeholders,” says Liben Gebremikael, TAIBU’s Executive Director. “It is a time to strengthen what is working well and improve on areas that we need to grow in. This year’s accreditation has demonstrated to us that we have grown as an organization and well into our journey towards becoming a Centre of Excellence.”

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About TAIBU Community Health Centre

TAIBU Community Health Centre is at the forefront of the delivery of community health and social services to Black communities across the Greater Toronto Area. Our work aims to improve, promote and protect the health and well-being for Black populations through quality and culturally designed primary health care services and strategies.

Vision:

Achieving and maintaining health through community development, knowledge exchange, empowerment and the elimination of systemic racism and other forms of prejudice and discrimination in healthcare

Mission:

TAIBU Community Health Centre provides primary health care and related services for Black populations across the Greater Toronto Area as its priority population and residents of the local community of Malvern. Recognizing that systemic oppression has fostered conditions of ill-health with Black communities, we strive to deliver these services through intersectional, equity based and culturally affirming practices which promote holistic wellness, health education, and prevention.

Values:

- **Leadership** – Leadership of Black communities is essential to provide sustained and equitable access to high quality primary health care services.
- **Community Driven** – We strive to be transparent and accountable to the communities we serve
- **Africentricity** – We recognize the rights of people of African descent to strive for self determination
- **Quality** – Our programs and services are evidence informed and reflect a high standard of quality

About Canadian Centre for Accreditation (CCA)

In response to growing interest in a Canadian accreditation program tailored to community-based health and social services, five associations of community service providers came together to form the Canadian Centre for Accreditation. CCA is a national non-profit offering bilingual accreditation geared to community-based health and social service organizations. CCA accredits a wide range of community-based human service organizations with a modular, tailored program that promotes excellence and quality. Because its approach is rooted in community service values and contexts, CCA accreditation supports community organizations to meet value-added goals that go beyond achieving accreditation.

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